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1. TABLING OF TREATY ARTICLES AT THIS TIME BY STRAITS

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STATES WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE HIGHLY DAMAGING TO OUR INTERESTS. THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE WHEN SOME OF THE SPONSORS OF RESOLUTION HAVE DEFENSE RELATIONSHIP WITH US, AND WE HAVE ARGUED THAT FREE TRANSIT ESSENTIAL TO FREE WOR SECURITY INTERESTS. CONSEQUENTLY WHILE WE REALIZE YOU HAVE BEEN OVER THE SUBJECT WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS A NUMBER OF TIMES, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO MAKE APPROACH WITH EMPHASIS ON POINT 3 C REFTEL.

2. ACCORDINGLY YOU ARE REQUESTED TO RAISE SUBJECT REFTEL WITH FORNOFF AT LEVEL YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE. YOU ARE AWARE, OF COURSE, THAT HOST GOVT ASSURANCES THAT OUR INTERESTS WOULD BE FULLY TAKEN CARE OF BILATERALLY DO NOT MEET OUR CONCERN WHICH IS THAT IF FREE TRANSIT THROUGH STRAITS DEPENDED ON BILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS THIS WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY LIMIT OUR DEFENSE CAPABILITIES IN OTHER AREAS OF THE WORLD WHERE SUCH ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT NOT BE OBTAINABLE.

3. FOR NICOSIA: ASSUME THAT IF GREECE CAN BE PERSUADED NOT REPEAT NOT TO ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH THE PENDING INITIATIVE, CYPRUS WHICH HAS NO STRAITS INTERESTS WOULD

PROBABLY GO ALONG WITH GREECE. YOU MIGHT THEREFORE REFER TO FACT WE RAISING MATTER ALSO IN ATHENS. ROGERS

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